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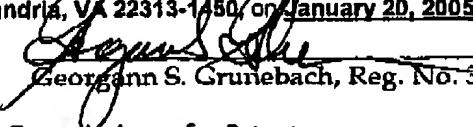
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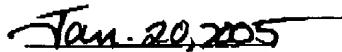
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Inventor: Raynold m. Kahn, et al.

Serial No.: 09/620,772

Filed: July 21, 2000

For: SUPER ENCRYPTED STORAGE AND RETRIEVAL OF MEDIA PROGRAMS WITH SMARTCARD GENERATED KEYS

- > **Amendment Transmittal**
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In re Application of: Raynold m. Kahn, et al.
Serial No. : 09/620,772
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Date: January 20, 2005
Group Art Unit: 2134
Examiner: Ellen C. Tran

TRANSMITTAL LETTER FOR AMENDMENT

Mail Stop Amendment
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Sir: Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

____ Applicant petitions for an extension of time for months(s) to respond to the Office Action dated _____ . If an additional extension of time is required, please consider this a petition therefor.

Fee \$

An extension for _____ months(s) has already been secured; the fee paid therefor of
is deducted from the total fee due for the total months of extension now requested.
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Applicant believes that no extension of time is required to respond to the Office Action dated October 20, 2004. However, this conditional petition is being made to provide for the possibility that applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition for extension of time.

No additional fee for claims is required.

The fee for claims has been calculated as shown below:

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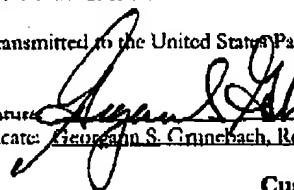
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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated October 20, 2004, please amend the above-identified application as follows.